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YEAR BOOK
1949-1950**

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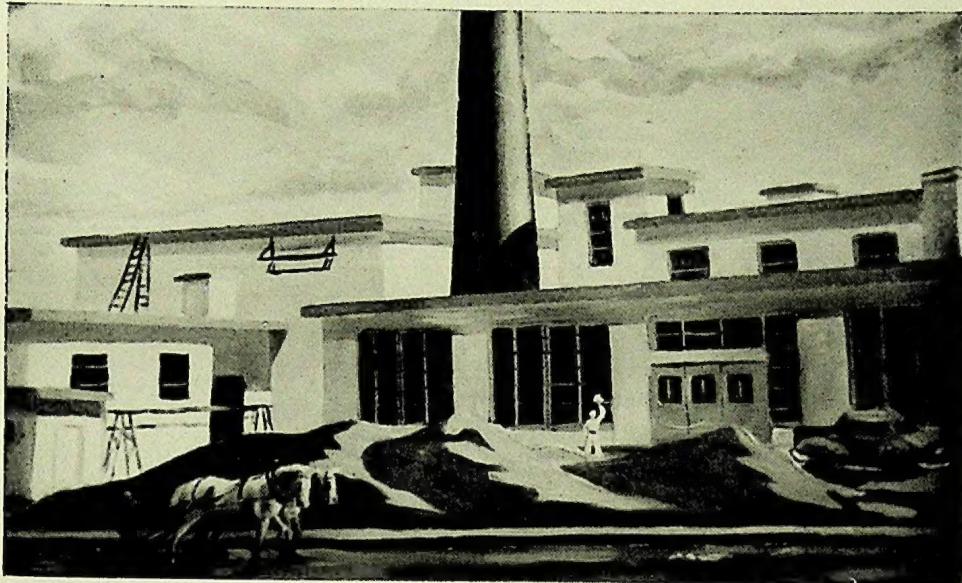
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1949-50

YEAR BOOK

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Dedicated
to the
First Graduating Class
of
U.C.H.S.



J. Lutz

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

"To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield."—Tennyson.

Now comes the time of reckoning! As you scan the pages of this book, the staff of the Argosy and Yearbook sincerely hopes that our efforts will be well received—and that you, the students, of Victoria Composite will be proud of your Yearbook.

We hope that this Yearbook will be one that will ever keep us mindful of our Alma Mater, and that in years to come it will be a storehouse of memories and recollections.

During the year the staff of the Yearbook has worked very hard, and has spent long hours on the production of a full scale book. Their only reward is that you will like and appreciate the task which they undertook with an unselfish attitude and worthy ideas. Many times the work which had to be completed in a limited amount of time, was done on week-ends and after school. These staff members willingly gave up their own spare time, and directed their talents to make this contribution to Victoria Composite High School.

It was not an easy job, but the staff was eager, efficient, and each possessed an abundance of enthusiasm—these qualities combined, enabled the school to have a 1949-50 Yearbook.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks to those who helped us during the year and believed what we were trying to accomplish was worthwhile. Our thanks go out to our advisers Mr. W. H. Evans and Mr. C. Hollingsworth, to Mr. C. O. Hicks, and Mr. J. P. Page. To the outside business firms, McDermids, Blyth's, and Reliable Printing Company, we express our appreciation for their splendid co-operation. We would also like to say "Thank-you" to the other members of the teaching staff who aided us in the production of the book.

Our task is now completed—we have done our best to give you a book to your liking—we trust you will enjoy it.—Grace Smith.

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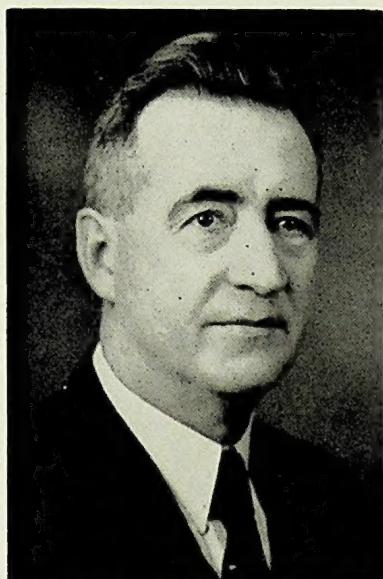
FACULTY

Staff Meeting:



**ACADEMIC AND TECHNICAL
DIVISION**

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE TO THE GRAD CLASS OF '50



Mr. C. O. Hicks, M.A.

"Heaven is not reached at a single bound;
But we build the ladder by which we rise
From the lowly earth to the vaulted skies,
And we mount to its summit round by round."

Gilbert Holland

One hundred years ago Fort Edmonton housed within its palisades only a few families of white men and was of lesser importance as a trading post than Lac La Biche. For strategic reasons Fort Edmonton was moved from its initial site near Fort Saskatchewan to the site now occupied by the Provincial Parliament Buildings. The progressive spirit of Fort Edmonton has always been marked by a steadfastness that presaged something solid and enduring for its future greatness now envisioned by some to be Canada's fourth largest city within the next two decades.

Fifty years ago Alberta was a struggling province whose early settlers literally gave their lives and substance towards its development. Those of you who are of the second and third generations of these hardy pioneers are especially privileged to feel great pride when all Albertans pause and pay tribute to these resolute forebears.

Ten years ago most of this Class of '50 were just leaving their parental abode to rub shoulders with the world and to learn how to become useful citizens. You have matured at a rapid pace and in some respects these seventeen or eighteen years will always remain the most interesting period of your lives. Eight out of every ten Grads will now seek to fit themselves into some chosen or available occupation. Two of every ten will proceed to advance their training either in Office, Shop or at University. But in all cases the general public will take you on trial as persons possessing a resonable degree of maturity and stability. You will be punctual, courteous and reliable in the performance of your duties. If you satisfy these requirements your advancement will be hastened.

Your dream of youth may not be of immediate attainment. Let this not discourage you. Patience and perseverance were ever the necessary virtues for ultimate success. We have endeavoured at school to discover and promote your abilities. You should continue to do this for yourself henceforth. Do not ever slow down on your outside reading which remains your most important and vital connecting link with a world so vast and diverse that you can never hope to get more than a passing acquaintance with its main features except from the printed page.

At this jumping off station in your life each one of you has a rendezvous with destiny and destiny will meet you only half way. Be on time—not too early and not too late. Keep ever your school colors high—Red for Service—White for Honour—always remembering, "Heaven is not reached at a single bound".

Faculty



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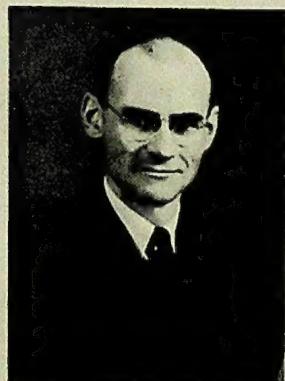
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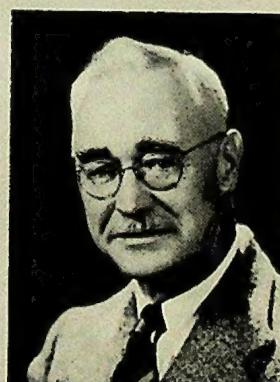
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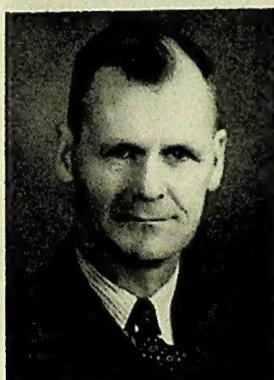
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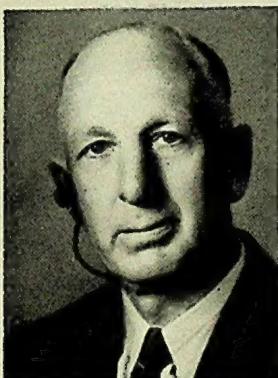
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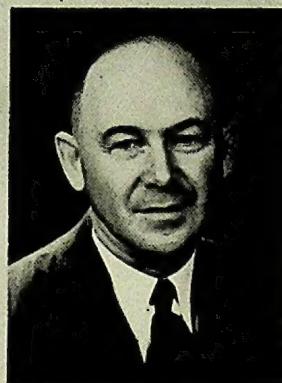
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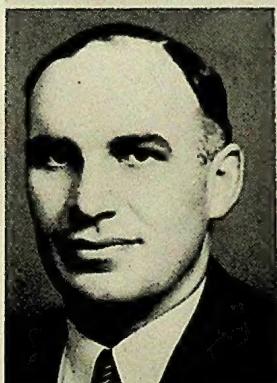
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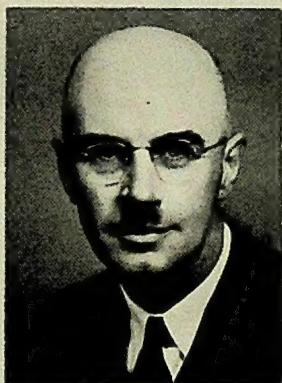
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MR. W.E. ROBINSON



MRS. D.L. POULSON



MR. K. KIRKWOOD



MR. J.R. ANDERSON



STUDENTS

ACADEMIC AND TECHNICAL
DIVISION

VALEDICTORY

Zella Palmer



Each is given a bag of tools,
A shapeless mass,
A book of rules,
And each must make ere life is flown,
A stumbling block,
Or a stepping stone.

I am proud and honored to have been chosen
to wish a fond farewell to V.C.H.S. on behalf of the
Grad Class of 1950.

Three or four years ago we reached Vic from
many diverse sources—different schools, different
cities and even different countries; but once
gathered in these halls all differences were for-
gotten and we became as one under the spell of the true Vic spirit.

We are now approaching one of the very important milestones in our
life thus far, but before we separate once again on our own particular
avocation, let us for a moment reflect on what the past few years have
meant to us. A large majority came to these halls of learning already aware
of the tradition and school spirit that remains with countless ex-Vicites.
Though the first few days seemed nothing more than organized confusion,
and initiation only something to be endured, we were soon to realize that
pride in our school is not an idle boast but a vital factor that has in the
past, and will in the future, contribute to the moulding of better citizens.
This year, because of the as yet unfinished building program of our new
school, limited facilities have brought difficulties that future grad classes
will not have to face. In spite of these difficulties we are happy to be
members of the first grad class from the new school and take pride in the
fact that the high standard of achievement and success has been maintained
during this transitional period.

We can now appreciate the numerous memories of academic, athletic
and social events which each one of us has experienced. Our instruction in
fundamental learning and the ability to think and reason as well as the
ideals of sportsmanship, co-operation and fair play will prove necessary and
invaluable in any self-chosen line whether it leads directly into the business
field or to additional studies at University.

Our sincere thanks is extended to our teachers who have been res-
ponsible for our education and our appreciation and gratitude can best be
expressed in the manner in which we apply ourselves to our tasks ahead.

Although our recollections of the past few years are indeed happy ones,
we cannot regret our departure too much as we realize that our life here has
been a stepping stone to a new, unexplored future we are so eagerly antici-
pating.

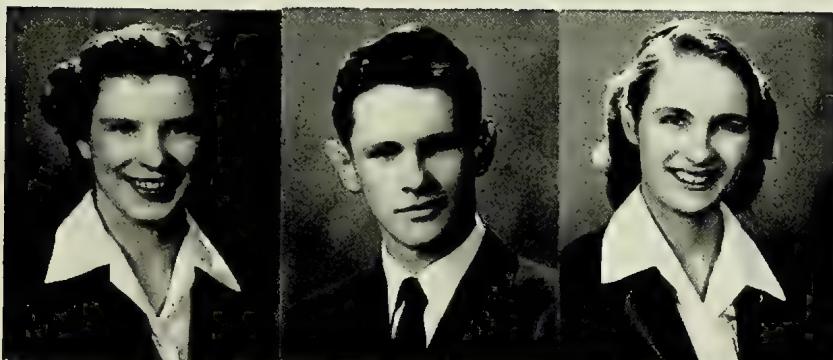
Graduating Class Executive



LORNE TUPPER



EILEEN SKLAR



MAE READ

CLIFF PAULSON

JEAN TATROE



JOHN GALANKA



ISADORE AVERBACH

CLASS HISTORY

BY JOHN AGRIOS

With mixed feelings of adventure and surprise, the Class of '50 pushed open the doors of the new, immense Victoria Composite High School on September 1, 1949. Marvelling at the white terrazzo, two storey structure, students endlessly toured through the three wings of the building. Attracting special attention were the technical shops, science labs, administrative, home economics and guidance rooms. Also receiving praise, were the up-to-date features like the air-conditioning units, synchronized clocks, P.A. speakers, fluorescent fixtures, and recessed lights.

Despite the confusion caused by the unfinished state of the building, registration and organization commenced at once. At first, students and teachers alike awed by the new surroundings, had difficulty in finding their way about, and a move from room to room constituted a long journey. But the new "Vicites" rapidly became familiar with the extensive halls, and classes quickly settled down for the year's activities.

Unfortunately, because of circumstances, full scale presidential elections were not held. Elected president by Students' Council, was capable Rudolph "Spike" Brown, whose ability was illustrated in the combined council.

The expanded size of the school was reflected in the social activities as more than 500 students attended the Sadie Hawkin's theatre party and dance, "Tinsel Trot" and the "Cotton Ball".

The first sports teams of V.C.H.S., while not victorious in any provincial championships, brought many honours to the school.

Both boys' and girls' senior basketball teams surpassed all rivals in Northern Alberta, but were defeated by Southern opponents. Also fighting their way to a city championship was the junior boy's basketball team. The biggest heart-break of the year was the junior football team, which went through the season undefeated only to tie and lose the playoff games to Scona. A curling team skipped by Herb Olson brought the Irving Kline trophy, and city high school honors to Victoria Composite for the first time.

Because of inadequate facilities, stage productions were almost completely lacking this year. In a game attempt to keep some flame alive, both drama and music clubs presented worthy lits in the red building.

Let us now go back to the year 1947, our frosh year. Few students will ever forget the first time they opened the doors of Victoria High, and the class of '50 is no exception. Equally unforgettable to the seniors are the hectic, hilarious days of their frosh initiations.

Elected President Eddy May, and Vice-President Jerry Blacklock, formed the nucleus of a hardworking and efficient Council. Prominent among Council's achievements that year, were "Stable Stomp," the cotton extravaganza "Fabricadabra," the Frosh Lit, Sadie Hawkins Lit, Talent Lit, Sleighride and other monthly lits.

Vast audiences acclaimed the music club's presentation of "Windmills of Holland," a smashing success, and Miss J. I. Soper was highly praised for her superb direction.

Foremost among a list of sport triumphs was the Alberta "B" Basketball championship, won by the V.H.S. Senior Boys Basketball team. The Bantam football team continued a five-year supremacy by defeating Scona in the finals. The Dr. Willis-coached boxers and wrestlers again captured several titles.

The passing of two well-loved teachers brought sorrow to Victoria—Mr. Shortliffe, and Mr. Dobson, who will always be remembered for their spirit and their contributions to their profession and their students.

Our sophomore year opened with a bang, as Ed Saddy was elected Students' Council President in the most intensive and exciting campaign in many a year. Banner decked cars, pennant-waving horseriding supporters, balloons, posters and speeches, all provided one of the most colorful competitions on record.

"Hobo's Hop", a hard-time dance, "Twitter Twirl," the spring fling, along with the annual sleigh ride and several lits made up a well-attended social season.

Although handily winning the Northern Alberta titles, the Senior Boys' Basketball team failed to capture the provincial honors by one point, in the final playoff game. Victoria boxers and wrestlers swept the field in the annual assault-at-arms by coping thirteen titles in the tournament at Westglen.

Vic Varieties of '49', playing a three night stand, and the highly successful Drama Club, "Musical Revue," held the spotlight for stage production.

The climax to the last three years came on June 3rd in the main ballroom of the Macdonald Hotel, when Grad President Zella Palmer ushered in "Ave Atque Vale" the unforgettable Graduation Dance of the Class of '50.

Finally, when the excitement of graduation, and the deliberation of final examinations have passed, it will be time to look back in retrospect, and examine the results of our high school years. We should go out into the world "with confidence and assurance", realizing that with the education we have attained, unequalled opportunities await us in this land of ours.

GRADUANDS

*To every man there openeth
A way, and ways, and a way,
And the High Soul climbs the High Way,
And the Low Soul gropes the Low,
And in between, on the misty flats,
The rest drift to and fro.
But to every man there openeth
A High Way, and a Low,
And every man decideth
The Way his Soul shall go.*

John Oxenham.



Name: Edwin Abrassart.

Activities: Junior Basketball, Baseball, Hockey, Y.M.C.A. Swimming.
Ambition: Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Name: John Agrios.

Activities: Argosy News Editor, Features Editor, Special Award, Argosy Award, Debating Award, Current Events (4 years), Drama, Music and Science Clubs, Social Committee.
Ambition: Commerce and Law.

Name: William Alexandruk.

Activities: Ping-Pong, Boxing, Bowling, Badminton, Tumbling, Chess Clubs, Club President on Council, Tennis, Leather Craft.
Ambition: To enter the field of electronics.

Name: Frank Antman.

Activities: Hockey, Baseball.
Ambition: Finish grade XII.

Name: Marianne Armstrong.

Activities: Houseleague and Jr. Basketball, Volleyball, Argosy, Swim, Drama, and Tumbling Clubs. All Saints A.Y.P.A., Guiding.
Ambition: Nursing.

Name: Isadore Averbach.

Activities: President Current Events Club, Grad Committee, Chess, Skiing, Skating, Ping-Pong, Pres. of "Western Canada New-Comers", (Youth Organization).
Ambition: Medicine.

*Marianne
Armstrong*



Name: Marshal Babiuk.
Activities: Badminton, Ping-Pong, Boxing and Wrestling, Art and Science Clubs, Houseleague Basketball.
Ambition: Medicine.



Name: Ann Blake.
Activities: Drama Club, U.N.Y.F. Choir.
Ambition: Stenographer.



Name: Florence Barnes.
Activities: Archery, Bowling, Clubs, Advertising staff of Argosy, President of Gil'pinettes, Y-Teens, and Skating.
Ambition: X-ray Technician.



Name: Gertrude Besney.
Activities: Chess and Current Events Clubs, Skating and Basketball.
Ambition: To pass Latin, and go to Varsity.



Name: Lois Bielous.
Activities: Academic Grade Winner, Drama Club, Volleyball, Baseball, Assistant Editor of Argosy, Badminton, Room Rep. and Current Events.
Ambition: Nursing.

Name: Dave Birenbaum.
Activities: A.Z.A.
Ambition: University career.

Name: Julie Bodnar.
Activities: Chess Club, Skating, Swimming, Young People's Club.
Ambition: To pass French.



Name: Taras Boyko.
Activities: Music Club, Dancing, Swimming.
Ambition: Radio.



Name: Rudolph "Spike" Brown.
Activities: Swimming, Curling, Rugby,
President of Students Union.
Ambition: Undecided.



Name: Edward Carnegie.
Activities: Hockey, Football, Fastball,
Baseball, Swimming, and Dancing.
Ambition: Physical Education.

Name: Vera Mae Christensen.
Activities: Sec-Treas. Music Club, Explorers, Edmonton Youth Chorus, Operettes "Windmills of Holland," and "The Grasshopper", Vic Varieties of 1949.
Ambition: Nursing.



Name: Ilene Crosbie.
Activities: Argosy, Riverdale Junior League Exec., Rundle Girl's Choir, Swimming, Archery Club.
Ambition: Nursing.

Name: Colleen Crossen.
Activities: Y-Teens, Nu Phi Mui, Eaton's Junior Council, Cheer Leader.
Ambition: Receptionist with office work.



Name: Betty Davison.
Activities: Y-Teens, Bowling, Archery, and Cheer Leader.
Ambition: Secretary.

Betty Davison

Name: Jacque Day.
Activities: Tumbling, Music and Bowling Clubs, Varieties of '50, E.P.Y.P.U. Edmonton Youth Chorus, Vic Varieties '49, "Windmills of Holland", House-league Baseball, Basketball and Volleyball Captain, '48 and '49.
Ambition: To work at the University Book Store.



Name: Reg Dencer.
Activities: Football and sports in general.
Ambition: Successful Engineer.



Name: Jim Dingwall.
Activities: Repairing anything mechanical; Developing Pictures, Skating, Bowling, Sr. Hockey Games, Dancing.
Ambition: Newspaper work and to own a cream coloured convertible.

Name: Robert Dingwall.
Activities: Skiing, Skating, Dancing, Repairing Jalopies.
Ambition: To be a printer.

Name: Lillian Dmytryk.
Activities: Drama Club, Edmonton Youth Choirs, U.N.Y.F. Choir.
Ambition: Legal Stenographer.



Name: Hindo Doz.
Activities: Chess, Music, Ping-Pong, and Badminton Clubs, Argosy, Chem. Lab. Assistant.
Ambition: To play Golf.

Name: Michael Duchnych.
Activities: Badminton, Ping-pong, Chess and Science Clubs, Houseleague Basketball.
Ambition: To pass Algebra and Latin 11.



Name Albert Eggenberger.
Activities: Swimming, Badminton, Skating.
Ambition: Mechanic.

Name: Elsie Eiben.
Activities: Ping-pong and Badminton Clubs, Argosy, Captain in Archery Club, Skiing, St. John's Luther League, Academic Winner.
Ambition: High School Teacher.



Name: Thomas Eykelbosh.
Activities: Ping-pong, Chess and Current Events Club, Skiing and Reading.
Ambition: Mechanical Engineer.

Name: Elise Fedunec.
Activities: Reading, Painting, Skating, Academic pin winner.
Ambition: To go to Varsity.



Name: Allan Ferguson.

Activities: C.P.O. of R.C.S.C.C. Warrior, Drama Club.
Ambition: Education at Varsity and then Travel.



Name: Bill Fodchuk.

Activities: Rugby, Hockey, Baseball, Bowling.
Ambition: Commerce.



Name: Marian Frinskie.

Activities: Skating, Swimming, Bowling, Music.
Ambition: Undecided.



Name: Ray Fulks.

Activities: Current Events, Chess, Ping-pong and Flying Clubs, Air Cadets, and Houseleague Basketball.
Ambition: Medicine.

Name: John Galanka.

J. M. Galanka
Activities: Council Rep., Social Committee, Grad Committee, Senior Boys' Basketball, Co-coach Jr. Boys' Basketball, Eaton's Junior Executive, Hi-Star Basketball Team.
Ambition: To be Successful.

Name: Milly Garfin.

Activities: Ping-pong, Houseleague Basketball, Sports.
Ambition: University.



Name: Claire Gelfond.

Activities: Lethbridge educational chairman of B.B.Y.O., Piano, Dancing, attended L.C.I., B.B.Y.W. Bowling Club, Vice-Pres. of Junior Council, Junior Hadassah.
Ambition: Undecided.

Name: Chester Gorski.

Activities: Swimming, Hockey, Ping-pong, Houseleague Basketball, Baseball.
Ambition: Salesman.



Name: Claudia Gowda.
Activities: Young Peoples' Organization, Bowling, Swimming, Horse-back riding, Church Choir, Drawing, Academic winner, Badminton, Ping-pong.

Ambition: Lab Technician or Nursing at Varsity.



Name: Hazel Hardin.
Activities: Badminton and Table Tennis Clubs, Swimming, Horseback Riding, Roller Skating.

Ambition: Nursing.

Name: Elizabeth Harloff.
Activities: Majorette instructress for the Edmonton Schoolboys' Band, Ping-pong, Skiing, Skating, Swimming.

Ambition: To pass French and to become a high school teacher.



Name: Vic Harrison.
Activities: Badminton, Tennis, Photography, Basketball, Skiing, Skating, Swimming.

Ambition: Druggist.

Name: Albert Hauptman.
Activities: Badminton, Chess, Bowling, Students' Council, Current Events, Ping-pong, Boxing and Wrestling, Curling, Tennis, Music, Science, Ski Clubs, Vic Varieties of '49.

Ambition: Varsity after passing French.



Name: Margaret Hennig.
Activities: Academic pins, Y-Teens, Norwood Young Peoples, Bowling.

Ambition: X-Ray Technician.

Name: Doug Hodgkinson.
Activities: Lighting and Music for "Spring Revue of 1950", (Alberta College and McDougall Y.P.U.), Commercial Photography, Piano, Trumpet, McDougall Junior Young Peoples' Executive, Roller Skating, Bowling, Swimming, Dancing, Hiking, Photography.

Ambition: Mining Engineer.



Name: Barbara Holden.
Activities: Houseleague Basketball, Dancing, Rollerskating and Horse-back Riding.

Ambition: Undecided.

Name: Walter Hys.
Activities: Chess, Art, Music (Piano and Violin) Fastball, Ping-pong.

Ambition: To be a wealthy Architect.

Barbara Holden



Name: Max Jones.
Activities: Junior Rugby, Houseleague Basketball, Boxing and Wrestling, Ping-pong Clubs.
Ambition: Agriculture.



Name: Betty Johnston.
Activities: Houseleague Basketball, Volleyball, Argosy, Year Book Staff, Cheer Leader, Students' Council, Milk Bar, Hi-Y, Skating and Skiing.
Ambition: Undecided.



Name: Andy Kasianuk.
Activities: Baseball, Bowling, Ping-pong, Tennis, Swimming, Hunting, Skiing.
Ambition: To get out of school.



Name: Margaret Katayama.
Activities: Senior Houseleague Basketball, Volleyball, Music Club, C.G.I.T., Archery, Ping-pong, Badminton.
Ambition: Nursing.



Name: Nick Kinasewich.
Activities: Hockey, Curling, Baseball, Football, Track and Field, Skiing, Current Events.
Ambition: To get through High School successfully.

Name: Dorothy King.
Activities: Church Choir, Skating, Piano, Swimming, Bowling, Click Club.
Ambition: Nursing.

Name: Gil Klause.
Activities: Argosy Representative, Drama Club president, Records, Photography.
Ambition: To Travel.

Name: Walter Kostynuk.
Activities: Curling, Hockey, Softball.
Ambition: Pharmacy.



Name: William Krisch.
Activities: Skating, Swimming, Shooting, Cycling, Fishing, Boating, Naval Reserve Band.
Ambition: Geology at U. of A.



Name: Oscar Kruger.
Activities: Basketball, Curling, Rugby, Ping-pong, Boxing, Tumbling.
Ambition: Accountant or Physical Education.



Name: Chester Kuc.
Activities: Violin, Piano, Choir, Junior Symphony, Swimming, Volleyball.
Ambition: Musician.

Name: Sophie Laskowsky.
Activities: Houseleague Basketball, Volleyball, Bowling, Milk Bar, Skating.
Ambition: Private Secretary.



Name: Lucille Latta.
Activities: Tennis, Music, Dancing, Volleyball, Basketball, Swimming.
Ambition: Nursing.

Name: Pat Ledgerwood.
Ambition: Royal Canadian Air Force.



Name: Helen Leminski.
Activities: Bowling, Skating, Swimming, Basketball League.
Ambition: Nursing.

Name: Arthur Lindop.
Activities: Air Cadets, Bowling, Chess, Badminton, Skiing, Swimming, Pres. Chess Club, 1949-50, Bowling Captain 1959-50.
Ambition: Military College, R.C.A.F. Career.

Name: Louise Lockton.
Activities: Academic Pin Winner.
Ambition: X-Ray Technician.

Name: June Logan.
Activities: Current Event Club, Argosy, Swimming (Vice-Pres. West End Swim Club), Apprenticing for Pharmacy.
Ambition: Law or Pharmacy.



Name: Ed Lucht.
Activities: Basketball, Football, Baseball, Tennis.
Ambition: U. of A. and Engineering.



Name: Jacque Lutz.
Activities: Attend courses at University in Portrait Painting and Anatomy, Art Club, Director Boys' and Girls' Fair, Skating, Horse-back Riding, Basketball.
Ambition: Professional Animal Painter.



Name: Jack MacLaren.
Activities: Houseleague Basketball and Fastball.
Ambition: Undecided.

Name: Doreen E. MacLeod.
Activities: Drama and Make-up Clubs, Chess, Basketball, Argosy, Young People's, Guides and Brownies, Choir.
Ambition: Varsity and Travel.



Name: Greta MacPherson.
Activities: Music Club, "Teen Choral Society.
Ambition: Singing at Varsity.

Name: Ronald McDonald.
Activities: Build radios, Ping-pong, Chess, Swim, bowling, Hockey fan.
Ambition: Electrical Engineer.



Name: Joan McDonell.
Activities: Houseleague Basketball, Skating, West End Swim Club, Edmonton Golf and Country Club.
Ambition: Lab Technician after Varsity.

Name: Audrey McLay.
Activities: Fastball, Badminton, Bowling, Skiing, Skating, Tennis, Academic Winner, Namao Student Union Treasurer.
Ambition: Receptionist for Doctor.

Name: Barrie McMillan.
Activities: Football, Baseball, Swimming, Track and Field, Collecting Sports Material.
Ambition: To get out of high school and make a million.

Name: Richard McNeill.
Activities: Vic Click and Chess Clubs, President of Riverdale Teens, Swimming, Modeling.
Ambition: To be an electrician and to travel.



Name: Adeline Makowichuk.
Activities: Archery, Chess, Swimming, Skating, Basketball fan.
Ambition: B.Sc. in nursing at University.



Name: Sabie May.
Activities: Argosy Business Manager and Advertising Manager, Basketball, Sewing, Music.
Ambition: X-Ray Technician.

Name: Shirley Miller.
Activities: Swimming, Skiing, Y-Teens, Badminton.
Ambition: To pass Algebra II.



Name: Florence Moore.
Activities: Music, Drama and Tennis Clubs, Dancing, and Volleyball.
Ambition: Secretary.

Name: Alec Murray.
Activities: Basketball, Baseball, Teen Club, Swimming.
Ambition: To graduate in Law.



Name: Glen Murray.
Activities: Hockey, Basketball, Golf, and Homework.
Ambition: Undecided.

Name: Ernie Obst.
Activities: Page-boy at Legislature, Skiing, Swimming.
Ambition: Civil Engineer.



Name: Richard Ogilvie.
Activities: Ping-pong, Bowling, Golf, Most sports, Photography.
Ambition: Varsity.

Name: Marlene Olson.
Activities: Y-Teens, Nu Phi Mui.
Ambition: Varsity.



Name: Gwen Oluk.
Activities: Music, Swimming, Young Peoples, Skating, Horseback Riding.
Ambition: To get a Senior Matric.

Name: Joyce Orlaw.
Activities: Swimming, Tennis, Bowling, Skating, Drama and Music Clubs.
Ambition: Nursing.

Joyce Orlaw



Name: Dave Osoba.
Activities: Music, Choir, Baseball, Tennis, Ping-pong, Bowling, Ukrainian Folk Dancing, Dramatics and Skating.
Ambition: A degree in Medicine.

Name: Zella Palmer.
Activities: Y-Teens, Argosy, Bowling, Museum of Arts, Swimming, Skating, Grad President.
Ambition: Undecided.



Name: Don Paterson.
Activities: City Junior Men's Basketball, Skiing, Swimming, Hunting, Rugby, Cycling, Badminton, Tennis.
Ambition: Electrical Engineering.

Name: Cuthbert Patterson.
Activities: Ping-pong, Chess, Swimming, Golf, Hockey, Bowling.
Ambition: To reach 5' 6".



Name: Cliff Paulson.
Activities: Cadets, Football, Grad Executive.
Ambition: Petroleum Engineering.

Name: Olive Piggott.
Activities: Wesley United Church Choir, Music, Skating, Garneau Houseleague Basketball, Social Convenor Wesley J.Y.P.
Ambition: Music or Nursing.



Name: Donna Pohl.
Activities: Music, Click, Drama, Make-up Clubs, Varieties of '49, Windmills of Holland.
Ambition: Teaching or Florist.

Name: Dave Pollock.
Activities: Swimming, Skiing, Snooker.
Ambition: To get out of High School.



Name: Shirley Purkiss.
Activities: Volleyball, Skating, Swimming, Tennis.
Ambition: Comptometer Operator.



Name: Elaine Redden.
Elaine Redden
Activities: Y-Teens, Nu Phi Mu, Swimming.
Ambition: Office Work.



Name: Frances Richens.
Activities: Basketball, Volleyball, Archery, Softball, President of Bowling Club, President of Tumbling Club, Choir, Swimming, Skating.
Ambition: Stenographer.



Name: Tom Robertson.
Activities: Drama Club, Edmon-Teens, Golf.
Ambition: To travel around the world.

Name: Natalie Rogers.
Activities: Music Club, Skating, Swimming, Softball.
Ambition: Medical Secretary.



Name: Olga Rogers.
Activities: Music Club, Skating, Swimming, Softball.
Ambition: Accountant.

Name: Donald Romaniuk.
Activities: Skating, Swimming, Hockey, Baseball, Tennis, Fishing.
Ambition: Journalism.

Name: Sydney Ross.
Activities: Hi-Y, Houseleague Basketball, Skiing, Surf Board Riding, Pastel and Charcoal Drawing.
Ambition: Dress Designer or Commercial Artist.

Name: Olive Salamandick.
Activities: Argosy, Music Club.
Ambition: Home Economics at Varsity.



Name: Hugh Saunderson.
Activities: Bowling, Click, Drama, Current Events Club, Argosy.
Ambition: To go to Europe within the next five years.



Name: Tom Shaw.
Activities: Skating, Baseball, Collecting Records, Woodwork, Electricity.
Ambition: To get through the physics course.

Name: Gordon Shelmerdine.
Activities: Senior Football, Curling, Reserve Army.
Ambition: Retail Hardware Business.



Name: Larry Shelton.
Activities: Tumbling Club, Students' Council, Skiing, Wrestling, Hi-Teens.
Ambition: Varsity.

Name: Alice Shymko.
Activities: Young People's, Y.W.C.A., Choir, Tennis, Skating, Music.
Ambition: Education at U. of A.



Name: Sid Simons.
Activities: Sports Editor of Yearbook and Argosy, Senior Football, Rugby, Basketball and Fastball, Tennis, Click, Ping-pong, Baseball, Hockey, and Skiing Clubs.
Ambition: Journalism.

Name: Eileen Sklar.
Activities: Graduation Class Executive.
Ambition: Journalism.



Name: Thelma Smith.
Activities: Houseleague Basketball and Volleyball, Bowling Club, Milk Bar and Skating.
Ambition: Undecided.

Name: Stella Sprenkle.
Activities: Current Events, Volleyball, Hi-Y, Academic pin winner.
Ambition: Pharmacy.



Leahel Lawrence

Name: Walter Stogryn.
 Activities: Basketball, Rugby, Music, Skiing.
 Ambition: University of Alberta.

Name: Jean Iris Tatroe.
 Activities: Inter-School Christian Fellowship, City President, Edmonton Museum of Arts, Make-up Club, Grad Executive, Young Peoples' Choir.
 Ambition: To be a staff member for Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship.

Name: Zonia Thachuk.
 Activities: Drama, Music, and Current Events Clubs, Track and Field, Houseleague Volleyball, Argosy Editor-in-Chief, 1948-49, Grade Winner, Quill and Scroll Award, Students' Council Alumni Award.
 Ambition: Concert pianist or Medicine.

Name: Margaret Tomasky.
 Activities: Sr. Girls' Basketball team, Houseleague Basketball, Badminton, Softball, Swimming, Diving.
 Ambition: To go to University.

Name: Isabel Towers.
 Activities: Houseleague Volleyball, Bowling, Softball, Young Peoples' Choir.
 Ambition: Receptionist.

Name: Dale Tufts.
 Activities: Part time worker in oil industry, Riflery and Photography.
 Ambition: Oil industry.

Name: Lorne Tupper.
 Activities: Page boy for the Alberta Legislature, Grad Executive.
 Ambition: Automotive Engineer.

Name: Bernice Tweter.
 Activities: Argosy, Students' Council, Skating, Archery and Bowling Clubs, Swimming, Dancing, Riverdale Teens, Rundle Girls' Choir.
 Ambition: Undecided.

Name: Barbara Vosburgh.
 Activities: Secretary Ping-pong Club, Chess, Current Events and Science Clubs, Horse Back Riding, Skating.
 Ambition: Varsity.

Name: Keith Walker.
 Activities: Metropolitan Tuxis, Hockey, Hunting, Swimming, Baseball, Skating.
 Ambition: University Engineer.



Name: Loretta Walker.
Activities: Y-Teens Group—Filli Adelphi
Secretary-Treasurer, Nu Phi Mu
Sorority, Vic Cheerleaders, Dancing.
Ambition: Office work.



Name: Howard Walsh.
Activities: City Junior Mens' Basketball,
Cycling, Badminton, Hockey, Skiing,
Rugby, Hunting, Fishing, Baseball,
Softball, Swimming, Dancing.
Ambition: Electrical engineer.



Name: Walter Webber.
Activities: Hunting, Fishing, Skating.
Ambition: Florist.

Name: Victoria Welguz.
Activities: Baseball, Volleyball, Tennis,
Badminton, Music, Current Events
Clubs, Debating Shield, Academic pin.
Ambition: Varsity.



Name: Nancy Werenka.
Nancy Werenka
Activities: Basketball, Badminton, Tennis,
Dancing.
Ambition: Nursing.

Name: Dorothy Williams.
Activities: Sports, Classical Music, Drama,
Choir, Young Peoples, Inter-School
Christian Fellowship.
Ambition: To take Pharmacy at the U.
of A.



Name: Hector Williamson.
Activities: Swimming, Wrestling, Weight
Lifting, Teen Club.
Ambition: Royal Canadian Mounted
Police.

Name Barbara Willson.
Activities: Music Club, St. Stephens'
Young Peoples, Teens.
Ambition: Secretary.



Name: Lucy Wozney.

Activities: Music Club, Skating, Dancing,
Swimming.

Ambition: Nursing.

Name: Lois Wynychuk.

Activities: Argosy, Music Club.
Ambition: A.R.T.C. in piano followed by
a M.R.S.

Name: Glen Yancy.

Activities: Skiing, Roller-skating, swim-
ming, shooting, Photography.

Ambition: Undecided.

Name: Lawrence Zrobek.

Activities: Curling, Bowling, Baseball,
Badminton, Shooting.

Ambition: Telegraph Operator.



Hey! Looka there . . .

UNDERGRADS

Viv Sykes



First Row: Mary Pruss, Erna Cummings, Sophie Gembal, Joyce White, Pat Crozman, Marilyn Frith, Mary Frey, Steva Zalaski.

Second Row: Susan Starko, Viola Zerb, Eleanor Busse, Vivian Sykes, Jean Hamula, Annamay Brown, Nadie Tokarsky, Barbara Wood.

Third Row: Effie Saliaris, Joan Rennie, May Mah, Carmen Le Naour, Ann Moskowitz.



UNDERGRADS



First Row: Phillip Upright, Joseph Kozak, John Kerekes, Ken Townend, Larry Norcuit, William Dargavel, Andy Novack, Ian Shearer, Robert Sanders, Gordon Kenney.
Second Row: Tom Meters, George Rogers, Hugh Savage, Gordon Vipond, Bruce Clevley, Darow Mynowich, Rod Johnson, Jack Prestas, Arthur Mack, Lloyd Eiston.
Third Row: John Sabine, Rod Small, Norman Wrubleski, William Goobel, Robert Olson, Stan Sluzar, Bill Kliciak, Ron Warner, Don Scott.
Fourth Row: Ernie Wynchuk, Jim St. John, George Hapinski, Mel Hurtig, Harry Phomin, Arnold Skitsko, Alex Romanovsky, Owen Hughes.

GRADE ELEVEN CLASSES



ROOM 103

First Row: Ron Wolch, Neale Forsberg, Jack Marshall, Daryl Sanderson.
Second Row: Fred Hochachka, Terry Champion, Keith Jirsch, Harry Helm, J. R. Levy, Maurice Mazurkewich, Jack Mellon, Ed Andruko, Don Ingram.
Third Row: Olga Hladun, Ed Richmond, James Butchart, Harry Basler, Rod Lindberg, Harry Kline, Ralph Lauckner, Don Day, Joyce Jones.
Fourth Row: Olga Loza, Elsie Kuchaba, Eleonore Pepin, Joan Suckling, Betty Nelson, Anne Craig, Olga Kawiuik, Verlene Schmidt, Betty Duguid.

ROOM 116

First Row: Anne Molofey, Alice Asquin, Claire Shaw, Jean Nudd, H. J. Towerton, Maunde Rentoul, Joy Warner, Marilyn Davidson, Pauline Davidson.
Second Row: John Lingas, Bob McCartney, Mike Marcichiw, Ian MacDonald, Metru Rowychuk, Jim Tennant, Don Ewart, Ronald Berlad, Mike Chykalvik.
Third Row: Vance Beauchamp, Brian Krebs, Dale Sanders, John Kowalchuk, Phillip Renaud, Lorne Mick, Cecil Hoyrowski, Lloyd Roberts, Allan Halvorsen.

GRADE ELEVEN CLASSES



Marion Empey



ROOM 121

First Row: Zen Burianyk, Jack Finlay, George Kirkoff, Don Pawliuk.
 Second Row: Alden Hope, Dave Martin, Maridel McKinnon, Evelyn Cormack, Miss A. Lent, Yvonne Steckley, Marianne Zachary, Hilda Krisch, Yolona Kerekes.
 Third Row: Ron Hawgood, Oscar Saulit, Phyllis Mundy, Barbara McElhinney, Maxine Morris, Wilma Sartorius, Barbara Bayzand, Lois Woppard, Don Rimstad, Harry Haynes.
 Fourth Row: Wally Kolson, Don Strachan, Roy Zima, Duncan Romeril, Bob Gibbons, Ken Munro, Ken Knowles, Bill Lalonde, Jim Hollinshead.

ROOM 101

First Row: Keith Vettergreen, Mervyn Jones, Harry Davison, John Magoski.
 Second Row: Doris Murray, Jean Dickson, Lois Brown, Ollwyn John, I. Soper, Evelyn Alley, Doreen Milne, Connie Orser, Doreen Gold.
 Third Row: Chris Kopec, Harward Doupe, Clarence Gehlert, Bob Wells, Lee Yates, Larry Powell, Glenn Dippie, Merton McGhee, Erling Winquist, Edward Sereda.
 Fourth Row: Pearl Zalaski, Marion McDonald, Ella McLaughlin, Maureen Varlow, Joan Vinson, Marion Empey, Shirley Mitchell.

GRADE ELEVEN CLASSES



Pat Hambling

ROOM 204

First Row: Lorence Andony, Edward Kumish, Casey Skakun.
 Second Row: Don Logergren, Keith C. Roos, Ken Valens, Bill Davis, Dr. George D. Misener, Julian Laychuk, Ernest T. Skogg, Orest Diakiw, Laurence Hoye.
 Third Row: Lorne R. Baker, Elsie Danyluk, Zelda Vinsky, Vera Baurak, Audrey Spracklin, Irene Marsh, Joan Dickson, Donna Smith, Shirley McVay, Ralph Klimovec.
 Fourth Row: Fay Cline, Elizabeth Harrison, Shirley Donaldson, Doris Oslund, Mary Gomuka, Pat Parton, Mary Ann Munro, Marg Edmiston, Irene Waldron.

ROOM 216

First Row: Jimmy Hawes, Richard Clifton, Stan Warock, George Strasdine, Teno Shewcuv, Gerald Slipchuk.
 Second Row: Ronald Downey, Peter Johns, David Buchanon, Orville Burchby, M. T. Fowler, George Bradley, Ken Parsons, Bud Webb, Ray Schaffer.
 Third Row: Kimbal Mah, Raymond Coxin, Sylvia Tucker, Frances Vosburgh, Patricia Hambling, Eleanor Nichols, Verna Friberg, Hartley Gilchrist, Mike Worona.
 Fourth Row: Velma Lyons, Jane Loberg, Betty-Lou Bronice, Dave Davis, Biel Cherniwhan, Wayne Bumstead, Norma Ferguson, Eileen Ferguson, Margaret Fisher.

GRADE ELEVEN CLASSES



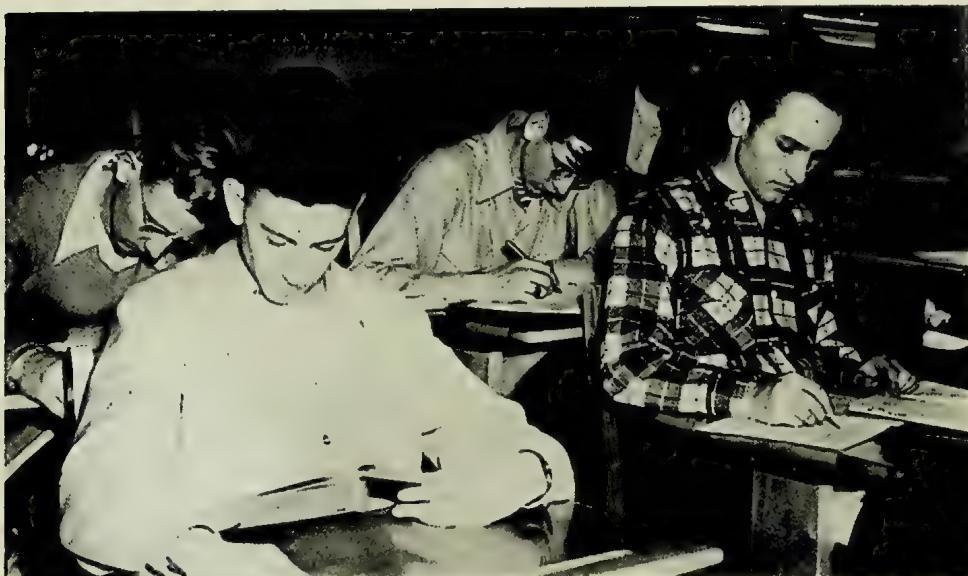
ROOM 221

First Row: John Currie, Fred Kozmeniuk, Lawrence Sturko, Bob Wiegers.

Second Row: Eunice Olinyk, Leona McDonald, Anne Boyko, Marlene Figol, S. G. Deane, Violet Komhyr, Doreen Davies, Joyce Wynychuk, Doris Reid.

Third Row: Sonia Salamandick, Phyllis Gregory, Bill Webber, Bill Moore, Keith Bowers, Ross Stewart, Frank Moysey, Shirley Stirling, Dilys Williams.

Fourth Row: Harold Butchart, Bob Dick, Boris Nowakowski, Rayner Jobson, Stan Stretch, Bill Romanynshyn, Fred Haight.



"Use your time to the best advantage"

GRADE TEN CLASSES



ROOM 100

First Row: Brenda White, Alfred Utendale, Bill Shak, Joe Boon, Jack Fern, Jennie Hryko.
Second Row: Myron Babiuk, Larry Willson, Robert MacEachern, Frank Ramsey, Miss Douglas, Wesley Cole, Melvin Wyne, Henry Gee, Norman Mah.
Third Row: Nancy Pasochnik, Peggy Filce, Sue Utendale, Laverne Taylor, Grace Read, Natalka Perune, Shirley Raisbeck, Victoria Olynyuk, Margie Giese, Naomi Mahlin, Rita Linke, Dorothy King.
Fourth Row: Bernard Youzefowich, Herbert Olson, Olga Mendryk, Beth Hayes, Joan Robinson, Joyce Scott, Mary Mandziuk, Alma Sohnle, David Dennis, George Gort.

ROOM 101

First Row: Malcolm MacGregor, Allan Olson, George, Townsend, Jerry Lewis, Walter Sydorko.
Second Row: Vera Gurel, Lois Howey, Connie Kearn, Clara Coombe, Noreen Bourk, Esther Bush, Muriel Alderman.
Third Row: Sam Dubetz, Steve Klompas, Andy Seath, Erwin Kuch, Robert H. Routledge, Harold Borontick, Ken Ferguson, Jerry Melnyk, Jack Evans.
Fourth Row: Maria Sporleder, Jean Summersgill, Lillian Kitiuk, Eleanor Wilde, Derleen Collins, Connie Smith, Norine Darkes, Sheryl McArthur.

GRADE TEN CLASSES



ROOM 104

First Row: Norman Mitchell, Neil Makin, Clarence Winter.

Second Row: Mary Nichols, Lillian Martin, June Mack, Patricia Warner, W. H. Evans, Shirley Christensen, Lucy Balanchuk, Mary Laskowsky, Rosemarie Andrusky.

Third Row: Peet Sylvester, Howard Roberts, Jach Souchenko, Peter Welsh, Jadvin Antonovics, Leroy Shahley, Tony Legdon, Allan Bryenton, Donald Webb, Kenneth McCulloch.

Fourth Row: Thomas Davies, Barry Harrison, William Shearer, Edward Andrusky, William Lupul, Raymond Kinasewich, Edward Zemrau, Robert Limming, Taras Manaliuk, Michael Kinasewich, Clifford Currie.

ROOM 107

First Row: Tom Davidson, Walter Muir, John Olthius, Gordon Welsh, Alex Ingram.

Second Row: Shirley Fitzsimmons, Velda Carnegie, Gloreen Banash, Cynthia Russell, A. R. Brown, Kathleen Waller, Beatrice Southern, Eva Shimizu, Anne Afaganis.

Third Row: Philippe Falkenberg, Quintin Collins, Jack Virtue, Leah Mitchell, Diane Cload, Verna Young, Jim Schurman, Arthur Colley, John Sanders, Edwin Chickloski.

Fourth Row: Natalia Solony, Agnes May, Kathy Ewaschuk, June Robinson, Marguerite Watt, Margaret Wilson, Marion McDougall.

GRADE TEN CLASSES



ROOM 203

First Row: Richard Collier, Alex Grieve, Richard Flint.

Second Row: Jack Butnup, Donald Baldson, Glen Wood, Philip Waller, Mrs. D. M. Campbell, Allen Johnson, Dennis Crotty, Abe Stochinsky, Glen Paul.

Third Row: Ronald Jones, Clair Galloway, Marlene Impey, Sophey Ruptash, Kathleen Lapointe, Ronald Davies, Shirley Horricks, Patricia Wheatstone, Lillian Burdeinei, Winona Kim, Lucille Bahlay, Frank Eykelbosh.

Fourth Row: Geoffrey King, Lyn Doupe, Jacqueline Sloan, Jean Vickrey, Margaret Horricks, Mary Berezowski, Jean Wozney, Effie Zalaski, Shirley Costello, James Munroe.

ROOM 205

First Row: Joe Walchuk, Richard Godwin, Allan Steele, Jim Upright.

Second Row: Gerald Pope, William Manson, Elizabeth Milner, Rene Linke, E. T. Nepstad, Lillian McGown, Ruth Goble; Josephine Scheiflinger, Lawrence Kvist.

Third Row: Harry Walsh, Gordon Halvorsen, Orest Kramer, Ken Monson, Don Rust, Steve Werenka, Gary Boness, Gordon Wilson, Sandy Peden, David Dunn, James Pope.

Fourth Row: Gordon MacSwain, George Godwin, Alastair Jones, Jack Harris, Don Roller, Robert Thomson, Martin Cummings, Walter Cameron, Robert Moon.

GRADE TEN CLASSES



ROOM 225

First Row: Hugh Hoyle, Margery Mick, Vivian Starko, Ken Smith.
Second Row: Jeanne Irving, Doreen Fimdt, Ruth Jettkant, Nora Pollock, Dolly Thachuk, Dorothy Frindt, Doreen Dwinell.
Third Row: Maxine Jacknicki, Nick Bendzera, James Melyncuk, George Grimstead, M. L. Bowman, John Kondrosky, John Shastal, Tom Saddy, Elaine Graham.
Fourth Row: John Leach, William McNeill, Sandy MacPhee, Zelick Slutker, John Srikney, Ray Jones, Ross Hoyle.



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FACULTY

Staff Meeting:



**COMMERCIAL
DIVISION**

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE TO THE GRAD CLASS OF '50



Mr. J. P. Page, B.A., B.C.Sc.

Over a long period of time, and in conversation with hundreds of students and graduates, I have discovered something which most of you young people have known for some time: students do not like "to be preached to". They will endure with more or less resignation a dry lesson in almost any subject on the curriculum—just so long as a teacher doesn't "preach" to them. For that reason, I am not going to take advantage of the kindness of those who asked me to write these few lines by inflicting a sermon upon them.

A principal's year-book "message" is usually directed mainly to the graduating students. With this thought in mind, it is only natural for one to look back over the years and to make comparisons among classes. The moment one does this, he is very apt to long for the so-called good old days when pupils were really students. Truth to tell, we did have several outstanding classes in the years gone by, and many former students of Commercial have already left their mark on the workaday world. In those early days, I was always intrigued by the class slogans which were adopted from year to year, such as these: "Don't wait for the boss; be a self-starter"; "Where others stop is where we begin," and "If it can be done, we can do it." In most cases, the students really tried to live up to these admirable slogans.

However, lest it be thought that the accomplishments of these early classes have blinded me to the virtues of those of recent years, I hasten to add that the student body of 1949-50 has given me every reason to be proud of them. In the face of discouragements which might easily have resulted in a rebellious attitude, both teachers and students have done a magnificent piece of work. In addition, I want to express to both groups my very sincere thanks for your co-operation in making my own job a great deal easier than it might have been.

And now, to those of you who are writing "Finis" to Commercial High, my very best wishes for your success in whatever field you may decide to enter. It has been a great joy to have known you, and, more particularly, to have had even a small part in shaping the course which your life may take. The torch is yours; be yours to hold it high.

Faculty



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ASST. PRINCIPAL B.A.



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M.A.



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STUDENTS

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VALEDICTORY



Pat Dahl

Life is a wonderful thing; unfortunately, many people realize that fact only after most of it has slipped away. Life is like a tree, and from the moment it creeps into the world it has to fight for the right to live. Weeds and insects do their best to destroy its tiny foundation, and not until it is a little older has it the strength to fight back. It is then that branches, although awkwardly shaped at first, spring forth and are soon clothed with leaves showing veins of life.

These branches are adventure, and from these main limbs spring smaller and more insignificant ones, though seemingly important enough at the time. The green shoots upon these adventure limbs are people—our friends. Our closest friends are those nearest to the heart of the tree, and which feed from the main roots.

Each of us has his stormy days when nothing seems to go right. We become cross and neglectful of our friends. The wind shakes the tree, and the leaves of our acquaintance fall away, one by one. Too often our lives become cold, bare and ugly. Fortunately, we have another chance, for spring comes and once again our branches are clothed with loveliness. We are a year older, and should benefit by the mistakes of the past.

Life goes on, and in the course of time our tree has become full grown. One day, a woodsman comes along with his weapon of death. He spies this tree amongst all the others—tall and straight—and picks it out for destruction. He applies his axe to the trunk, and although the tree fights back with all its might, the axe digs deeper and deeper into its heart, and it realizes that its time has come. It finally falls to one side, and yet it does not wholly die, for its roots may oftentimes live on, and others may draw sustenance from them.

As for us, the woodsman has not yet found our tree. We are still young, and our tree is still developing in the glory of its youth. Let us see to it that our tree will also be tall and straight, and perform some really worthwhile service to mankind. Finally, when the time comes for us to fade from the picture, may those who follow be able to say of each of us, "THAT was a tree!"—Pat Dahl.



Graduating Class Executive



Shirley Chettleborough



Betty Spence



Elmera Nyblom



Eleanor McIntosh

CLASS HISTORY

From the spacious halls of McDougall to the narrow confines of the old Victoria High School building is a jolting let-down for any senior class. And it was just that for us, Commercial's 1950 Grade Twelve's, for, in our final year, we had to move from comfortable, well-lighted McDougall, to dingy, creaky-floored Victoria.

At first we were depressed, but endowed with the spirit of old Commercial and remembering the "never say die" spirit of former Commercial Grads, we resolved to rise above our surroundings and carry on in a way that would do credit to ourselves and make those who came after us proud that we had left them a worthy heritage.

We were a motley gang—41 in all. Thirty-two had spent all their high school days in Commercial. The remaining nine had come from various high schools throughout the city. However, they were a cheery group of girls and with their pleasant dispositions and co-operative manner fitted in nicely.

As has been the tradition with graduating classes from Commercial down through the years, there were few boys—in fact, only two. And, as is the case with few men and many women, the boys were eagerly sought after, and frequently accused, usually without cause, of having "swelled heads."

As you remember, most of us were housed in Room One, and the remainder in Room Five along with a number of students who were knocking on the door of graduation but were falling slightly short of the necessary one hundred credits.

From these graduands there was a goodly representation on the Students' Council of V.C.H.S. Eleanor McIntosh, she of basketball fame, was President of Commercial Division, while Pat Dahl, a former University High student was Vice-President and Valedictorian for 1950. We were justifiably proud of Pat when she delivered the Valedictory at the Graduation Banquet held at the Corona. Other executive members were Everett Silver, who always lent a lot of common sense to school discussions; Lola Harris, whose outstanding work in entertainment organization brought many plaudits; Rita Nielson, editor of the Commercial section of the school paper and one of the more brilliant students; and Christina Gumas, who worked on more committees than any other person in the school and yet had time to be our genial dairy-maid.

We'll never forget the group in Room One, headed by Betty Spence and Jackie McMahon, who scholastically never set the world on fire, but at various school functions were frequently and persistently putting on burlesque and cabaret skits, which brought the house down.

You will recall that, while not many of us were athletically inclined, we were the most vociferous of groups when attending football and basketball games involving V.C.H.S. Ellie McIntosh was our outstanding athlete, for, besides being a star basketball player, she won top honours in her class in Track and Field. With the exception of Eleona Panas, the rest of us were just "run of the mill" and couldn't have jumped over a six-inch log or overtaken a two-legged dog.

We'll not forget that humorist of the Creative Writing Class, Mara Maitland, and how Catheleen Stuckey invariably was on the verge of hysterics when Mara read her own original creations.

For the most part we were earnest students, and fitting ourselves for jobs as stenographers was our chief goal. How well our hard work bore fruit could be seen from the fact that before the final year had ended, through the kind co-operation of Mr. Page, nearly all of us had positions waiting for us on graduation. Throughout our three years at Commercial we had the inspiration of lofty traditions, built up by former graduates who now hold highly enviable positions in the business world, and by those famous Grads who so outstandingly carried the Black and Gold colors to all parts of the world.

With such a background, we couldn't forget our old school nor could we be blamed for suffering a pang of regret that it was being merged with Victoria into the new V.C.H.S., with new colors, unfamiliar surroundings, and strangely cosmopolitan school spirit. However "the old order changeth, giving place to the new" and posterity may show that the merging of the two schools has been for the best. In the meantime, we former students of McDougall can't be too much condemned for being nostalgic about our former school home.

Up to the present our journey through life has been comparatively smooth, thanks to our parents and teachers. Now we are on our own. We trust fate will deal kindly with us, and that He who watches over all will give us strength to fulfill our mission in life.—Mara Maitland and Rita Nielson.

GRADUANDS

*Life is a race, where some succeed,
While others are beginning;
'Tis luck at times, at other's speed,
That gives an early winning,
But if you chance to fall behind,
Ne'er slacken your endeavor,
But keep this wholesome truth in mind—
'Tis better late than never.*

—Selected.



Name: Rene Boyd.

Activities: basketball, fastball, ping-pong, bowling, rollerskating, dancing, Central United Church Choir, Central Young Peoples' Union Vice-President.

Ambition: To become a good stenographer and to travel.

Name Shirley Chettleborough.

Activities: Grad Council Executive, Year book staff, Tumbling club, Ardent basketball fan, Harry Boon Piano School of Music, swimming, tennis, bowling.

Ambition: Travelling Secretary.

Name: Eunice Colen.

Activities: Girls' Ping-pong President, skating, bowling, dancing, swimming, baseball.

Ambition: To finish school, and be a private secretary.

Name: Pat Dahl.

Activities: School council, C.G.I.T. council, and Eatons Jr. Council, dancing, wrestling fan, speed skating.

Ambition: Advertising.

Name: Annie Dedik.

Activities: School Librarian, bowling, ping-pong, skating.

Ambition: Efficient Stenographer.

Name: Anne Filipow.

Activities: Ping-pong, skating, swimming, dancing, bowling.

Ambition: Private Secretary.



Name: Christine Gumas.
Activities: Roller-skating, Conference Representative for Y-Teens, Students' Council, Year book staff, bowling, tennis, swimming.



Name: Lola Harris.
Activities: Students' council, Commercial Lit Convener, School Pianist, handcrafts, architecture, shellwork.
Ambition: Travelling businesswoman and Government work in foreign countries.

Name: Shirley Haskins.
Activities: Bowling, dancing, curling, swimming, Red Cross.
Ambition: Competent private secretary.



Name: Lucy Hnatkowski.
Activities: Cooking, bowling, ping-pong, skating, dancing.
Ambition: To own a five-passenger wine coupe.

Name: Doreen Horn.
Activities: Baseball games, dancing, shows, swimming, skating, tennis.
Ambition: Private secretary.



Name: Lorraine Johnstone.
Activities: Swimming, ping-pong.
Ambition: Secretary in Foreign Embassy, and world-wide traveller.

Name: Eddy Kempinski.
Activities: Ping-pong, basketball, dancing, swimming, rowing.
Ambition: Accountant at C.N.R.



Name: Chris Kikuchi.
Activities: Ping-pong, School Librarian, bowling.
Ambition: Stenographer.

Name: Sally Kornath.
Activities: Curling, swimming, boxing and hockey fan.
Ambition: Successful secretary.



Name: Ruby Larson.
Activities: Tennis, badminton, Hi-teens, ping-pong, C.G.I.T., swimming, bowling.

Ambition: Stenographer, and to travel through Canada.

Name: Eleanor Lycan.
Activities: Tennis, swimming, skating, westling fan, roller-skating.

Ambition: To travel.



Name: Mara Maitland.
Activities: Health and recreation leader, member of Y.W.C.A., gym club, basketball fan, skating, dancing.

Ambition: To excel in gym work.

Name Edith Mawhinney.
Activities: Bowling club, Y-Teens con-
venor, Y.W.C.A. diving club, Robert's
School of Music, Canadian Jr. hockey
fan.

Ambition: Private secretary with buick
and mink coat.



Name: June Maxwell.
Activities: Badminton club, bowling club,
Y-Teens President, swimming, skiing.

Ambition: To travel through the United
States.

Name: Eleanor McIntosh.
Activities: President of Students' Union,
Basketball for Army and Navy Pats,
Walk-Rite fastball team, Grad class
executive, ping-pong.

Ambition: Excell in basketball.



Name: Jean McKinnon.
Activities: Y-Teens treasurer, Edmonton
Youth Chorus Secretary-treasurer,
swimming, tennis, badminton.

Ambition: To be a housewife.

Name: Jackie McMahon.
Activities: Health and recreation leader,
Water safety instructor, skiing, skat-
ing, tumbling, dancing, Junior hockey
fan.

Ambition: Physical Education teacher.



Name: Olga Moskowita.
Activities: Badminton, Y-Teens, tennis,
swimming.

Ambition: Stenographer in Eastern
Canada.

Name: Bennette Mudry.
Activities: Skating, swimming, dancing,
roller-skating.

Ambition: To travel.



Name: Rita Nielsen.

Activities: Argosy Staff, Year Book Staff, bowling, roller-skating, Students' Council, Y-Teens council Representative, skating, dancing.

Ambition: To own a lakeside cottage and a convertible.

Name: Elmera Nyblom.

Activities: Skating, dancing, bowling, shooting, wrestling fan, playing the piano, snooker.

Ambition: Housewife.

Name: Kae Olifirowich.

Activities: Skating, swimming, dancing, bowling.

Ambition: To become a competent stenographer and typist.

Name: Eleona Panas.

Activities: Sr. Basketball, Sr. House-league, ping-pong, skating, tennis, swimming, skiing, broom ball.

Ambition: To travel.

Name: Jean Pratt.

Activities: Skating, dancing, bowling, roller-skating, wrestling fan, piano playing, swimming.

Ambition: Housewife.

Name: Eileen Reil.

Activities: Skating, cycling.

Ambition: Competent stenographer.

Name: Mary Schegosky.

Activities: bowling, ping-pong, swimming, dancing, roller-skating, tennis, hockey fan.

Ambition: Secretary.

Name: Everett Silver.

Activities: Ping-pong, bowling.

Ambition: Bookkeeper.

Name: Pearl Smalko.

Activities: Y.W.C.A. swimming club, Milk bar, baseball, tennis, skating, roller-skating, hockey fan.

Ambition: Competent stenographer.

Name: Betty Spence.

Activities: Badminton, tennis, swimming, Vice-president and Membership convenor for Y-Teens, Edmonton School Boys' Band, Grad Class executive.

Ambition: To be a housewife.



Name: Cathleen Stuckey.

Activities: Swimming, dancing, skating, ping-pong, baseball.

Ambition: Own a blue cadillac convertible and travel.

Name: Ramona Vogel.

Activities: Year book advertising, Y-Teens, Teen Age Choral Society, Tumbling club, Ardent hockey fan, skating, swimming, bowling.

Ambition: Fashion Designer.

Name: Rita Waithe.

Activities: Ping-pong, Assistant editor of Argosy Staff.

Ambition: To be a high paid stenographer.



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GRADE ELEVEN CLASSES



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Third Row: Shirley Thompson, Dorothea Cantera, Hazel Ewing, Doreen Ainslie, Ruby Klimek, Olga Hoysak, Audrey Etty, Carole Gellibrand.

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Fourth Row: Bertha Nicholson, Kay Mulcahy, Marjorie Wobst, Pauline Wannechko, Jean Metz, Eileen Melnyk, Bonnie Humford, Catherine Ogilvie, Louise Adams.

GRADE TEN CLASSES



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GRADE TEN CLASSES



*Patricia
McGuire*

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Second Row: Pat Good, Katherine Klapatrick, Oriole Butler, Eileen Field, Iona McDowell, Doreen Winquist, Shirley Peterie, Connie Kempster, Lorraine Munro.

Third Row: Dorothy Gurel, Donna Alezander, Jean Wobst, Joan Davison, Jean Francis, Gladys Melnyk, Shirley Bedry, Betty Ann Leonard.

GRADE TEN CLASSES



ROOM 12

First Row: Mary Kozel, Joan Babcock, Joan Page, Sylvia Lytwyn, Mr. Hollingsworth, Olga Onyschuk, Bea Romanick, Janet Jackson, Joan Sole.

Second Row: Connie Farley, Shirley Burger, Maxine Rankin, Marion Wilson, Irene Horne, Irene McPherson, Enid Cliff, Irene See, Gail Finnegan, Jacqueline Allan, Alma Colvin.

Third Row: Josephine Pekarek, Dorothy Gaitt, Mary Martinuk, Sable Petrusik, Pat St. John, June Pempeit, Verna Selover, Anne Buterman, Betty Barrif, Leone McComb, Marie Blair.

ROOM 15

First Row: Thelma Dutckak, Joan Ellis, Ruth Brodel, Rhoda Johnson, Mr. Rose, Elizabeth Robertson Ardyce Wright, Marg Wilson, Gertie Gerke.

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Third Row: Gladys Clark, Edith Walkinshaw, Betty Dewar, Rose Ann Todrick, Betty McLean, Barbara Johnson, Jessie Greenfield, Shirley Jones, Joan Sachse, John Nowell.

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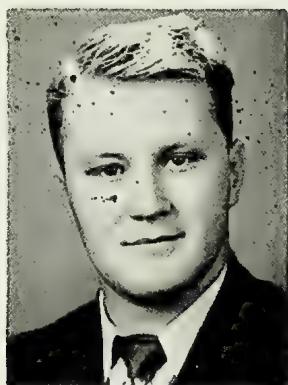
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STUDENTS' COUNCIL



"SPIKE" BROWN
President, Academic and
Technical Division

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It was a great honor and privilege to have been chosen the first president of our large and ultra-modern school, one of the best in Canada, perhaps the finest in North America.

Despite the large attendance at the Council meetings the business and problems presented were disposed of in an orderly manner. The combined councils of Commercial and Vic proved themselves capable of handling all difficult problems which confronted the school as a whole, and arrived at satisfactory decisions. The major problems were dealt with by the council executive and after careful consideration, recommendations were made to the union. At all our discussions we received valuable advice and guidance from Mr. Waddell and Mr. McFarland who acted as the staff representatives.

Through the success of our social functions and various other activities throughout the year, the financial standing of the council is far above records of previous years.

In the past Vic has been outstanding in the athletic field and this year is no exception.

Finally I would like to thank all the staff and students of V.C.H.S. for their kind co-operation in the past year.

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COUNCIL EXECUTIVE



Leone Yule, Secretary; Larry Shelton, Vice-President; Ann Moskowita, Treasurer.
Mae Reid, Grade XII Rep.; Keith Bowers, Grade XI Rep.; Bob McEachern, Grade X Rep.;
Mr. Waddell, Adviser.

STUDENTS' COUNCIL



ELEANOR McINTOSH
President Commercial
Division.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Students: As we approach the end of another school year it is with a feeling of sincere appreciation that I view the accomplishments of the Commercial section of the Victoria Composite High School. Your co-operation in the work of the Students' Council has been most gratifying. In all the undertakings attempted either by the Commercial Division alone or by the combined councils of the two schools, your efforts to make each function a success have made me exceedingly proud.

Last September, when you chose me as president, it was with a great deal of fear and trepidation that I took office. However, your kind sympathy and hearty words of encouragement have made this a year to be remembered. I was very fortunate in having such a capable executive and such a co-operative students' union to work with during the past term. It is my sincere hope that we have fulfilled to the best of our ability the wishes of the student body so as to merit the confidence and trust placed in us by them. I also want to express a special vote of thanks to Mr. Garlough for the wonderful understanding and leadership he has given us in connection with the many problems we have encountered during the past year.

Many of you will return next year. You will comprise the senior classes and to you will pass the reins of leadership. It will be your duty to uphold the glorious traditions of Commercial, as the new students will look to you for inspiration. So, keep up the good work; put everything into your studies; fight hard but fight fairly in your sports; support to the limit all your school functions. I know the future of Victoria Composite is in good hands.

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COUNCIL EXECUTIVE



Marian Rzyuk, Treasurer; Stella Bizeta, Secretary; Pat Dahl, Vice-President; Mr. Garlough Adviser.

STUDENTS' COUNCIL



ACADEMIC STUDENTS' COUNCIL

First Row: Bob MacEachran, Mae Read, Leone Yule, W. S. Waddell, "Spike" Brown, Ann Moskowita, Larry Shelton, Keith Bowers.

Second Row: Hilda Krish, Betty-Lou Bronice, John Galanka, Noreen Darkes, Ed Schwarz, Joy Warner, Don Day, Betty Johnston, Eleanore Busse.

Third Row: Dolly Thachuk, Clair Galloway, Marg Edminston, Walter Muir, Ed Zemraw, Betty Davison, Pat Crosman, Lois Bielous, Harry Walsh.



COMMERCIAL STUDENTS' UNION

First Row: Paula Olson, Joy Roberts.

Second Row: Pat Dahl, Everett Silver, Eleanor McIntosh (President), Mr. Garlough, Stella Bizeta, Jack White, Marion Rzyiuk.

Third Row: Chris Gumas, Ardyce Wright, Lola Harris, Pat McGuire, Connie Farley, Rita Nielsen, Jean Suvan.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE



Shown above are the members of Victoria Composites' social committee. From left to right they are Jean Suvan, Ardyce Wright, first row. Second row: Marg Edminston, Lola Harris. Third row: John Galanka, Larry Shelton. Missing is Grace Smith.

Starting off the year with a highly successful Sadie Hawkin's theatre party and dance, Victoria Composite High School's social committee had a very good year.

Members of the social committee headed by Margaret Edminston planned several social functions that were well attended and enjoyed by a majority of the student body.

The Sadie Hawkin's party held on Monday, November 7, gave Vic's gals their chance to catch an eligible bachelor. Vic's girls, proving they were no fainthearted wooers turned out in masses to the gala party held at the Garneau theatre and gym.

Gals and their "mates" took in a double feature and then headed for the gym. Soft music filled the hall 'till well on in the evening. Cokes and doughnuts highlighted the menu and prizes were presented to various couples throughout the dance.

Tinsel Trot, the first major social function of the year drew a crowd of approximately 500 persons. Acclaimed by many as one of the most sensational dances of recent years, it provided another triumph for the hard working social committee.

The music from Don Bentley's orchestra filled the Garneau gym and provided a suitable atmosphere for the Yuletide gathering. Christmas decorations further added to the gaiety and the evening full of fun.

Final effort on the part of the social committee was made on April 29, when the Cotton Ball was held. The dance centered around the Southern theme and appropriate decorations brightened the gym for the occasion.

Members of the Social committee were Grace Smith, Shirley Cummings, Lola Harris, Jean Suvan, Ardyce Wright, John Galanka and Larry Shelton.

CLUB PRESIDENTS



First Row: Rod Johnston, Tennis Club; Frances Richens, Tumbling Club; Darow Myhowich, Music Club; Marg Katayama, Archery Club; Jack Prestas, Art Club.

Second Row: Isadore Averback, Current Events Club; Bill Alexandruk, Ping-Pong Club; Harry Phomin, Curling Club; Art Lindop, Chess Club; Gil Klause, Drama Club; Albert Hauptman, Badminton Club; Tom Davies, Boxing and Wrestling Club.

Nic's Terry Melnychuk Wins High School Shuttle Title

Terry Melnychuk, Terry Mai of Victoria came through the singles title in the high badminton tournament held at the Elbow Melnychuk, last year and well-placed smash and square set down.

School Clubs Reorganize

Contemplation

Bronice Wins Birks Shield

A tournament game

Speaking on "Our Broken Brothers", a grade 11 student Betty Lou Bronice won the 11th annual Public Speaking Contest, presented by the Current Events Club of V.C.J.S. The contest was held before an audience of students in room 206. Club president, Isadore Averback welcomed the audience and introduced the contestants.

The winner impressed the gathering with an almost completely silent presentation of her text.

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Banff Is Impressive

500 Attend Tinsel T At Garneau

Tinsel Trot, the first import social function of Victoria's poster, scored a hit.

SNOOPER SCOOPS By THE STAFF

Have you heard the latest?

Selling Staff Feted at Party

As a reward for a job well done, members of the Argosy Advertising Sales Staff were treated to a party and entertainment program last night.

Going to press

FRANKLY SPEAKING

John Plugs Year Book

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'TEEN FASHIONS

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CHEERLEADERS



First Row: Jackie Sloan, Norma Ferguson, Shirley Costello, Eileen Ferguson, Shirlie Cummings,
Doris Williams.
Second Row: Liz Harrison, Shirley Sterling, Colleen Crossen, Irene Marsh, Shirley Donaldson.
Third Row: June Robinson, Kathy Ewaschuk, Marg Eamington, Sonia Salmandick, Joyce Buckles,
Verna Young.

SPORTS



Pat Crosman

GIRLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION



PAT CROSMAN
Vice-President



DOREEN McLEOD
President



SONIA SALAMANDICK
Secretary-Treasurer

All girls' sports in V.C.H.S. are organized under the direction of the Girls' Athletic Association, and administered by the executive, which this year consisted of: President, Doreen McLeod; Vice-President, Pat Crosman; Secretary-Treasurer, Sonia Salamandick and staff adviser, Miss Douglas.

Despite the fact that there was a lack of space, teams and clubs were organized and many girls participated in the available sports.

One of the first leagues to commence was houseleague basketball. In order that girls would be able to compete at their own level, senior and junior houseleague teams were organized. Many a gruelling noon hour was spent in the gym of the red building battling for points, and frequently the last basket decided the winner of the game.

Good sportsmanship prevailed throughout both this tournament and the next sport played, which was volleyball. The important item in this game is teamwork, and as the schedule progressed, there was an ever increasing display of this.

In the early summer when volleyball had been completed, softball teams were picked and the league continued until nearly the end of the term.

Two clubs which were formed during the fall semester were the tumbling and archery clubs. The former met weekly in the special projects room and many feats were accomplished.

A Students' Council grant of one hundred and forty dollars was used to purchase uniforms and help finance trips for the senior girls' basketball team.

Thus the Association spent a successful year.

BOYS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION



DON MONTCRIEF
Secretary-Treasurer

Don Montcrief

BARRY McMILLAN
President

"SPIKE" BROWN
Business Manager

Artificial policies did not mar the progressive functioning of the athletic association, although the agenda deviated from the keen competition of inter-school sports to the encouragement of house leagues, and the development of athletic participation in competition not previously of much student interest.

Though gate receipts showed that a successful football schedule was completed, the resumption of school hockey and skiing was again hindered by the climate. However, not to be done in by unsatisfactory climate conditions for outdoor sports, the association "moved indoors", introducing curling and bowling to high school competition, along with basketball. Incidentally, it may be noted that with the exception of football, Victoria's entrants into inter-school athletics have won every championship and trophy in competition.

Our Athletic Association should be lauded for its fine work in a year of considerable confusion.



SENIOR FOOTBALL TEAM



First Row: Ed. Schwarz, Alec Romanovsky, Oscar Kruger, Orville Burchby, Barrie McMillian, Sid Simons.

Second Row: Mike Chykiuk, John Farina (Coach), Don Ewart, Nick Kinasewich, Bob Olson, Ernie Chrstawka, R. H. Routledge (staff, manager and trainer), Ralph Klimovec.

Third Row: Ron Hawgood, Ken Parsons, Dave Martin, George Rogers, Saul Berg, Don Montcrief.

'Twas on a dark and dreary night that Vic's Senior Football squad closed a hard fought though unsuccessful 1949 season. Another dismal note was added to the season's losses—the Vic aggregation failed to produce a single point in the course of the season.

Vic is noted for stalwart and courageous teams and the senior team was certainly no exception. The Vic team showed more enduring spirit despite overwhelming odds, than those teams which captured city championships.

Coaches Farina and Goloubef were handicapped from the beginning of the season due to the small number of boys who tried for a position on the team.

Despite losses, Victoria Composites' representatives entered each game with a special trait of Vic—the will to win.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL TEAM



First Row: Jim St. John, Max Jones, Malcolm MacGregor, Ross Hoyle, Ray Kinasewich.

Second Row: Tom Davies, George Townsend, Ed. Zemrau, Robert H. Routledge, Ernie Wynychuk, Harry Walsh, Stan Stretch.

Third Row: Ed. Richmond, Harold Butchart, Hugh Savage, Peter "Moose" Melnychuk (Graduate Coach, Early Season), John Kondosky, Hector McDonald, Benny Grabow, (Graduate Coach, Latter part of season), Gordon Jorgensen, Steve Werenka, Ken Monson.

Fourth Row: Ron Downey, Myron Babiuk, Ken Munro, Bill Dargavel, Gerry Melnyk, Gordon Kenney, Steve Klompaas.

Unlike the Senior Football team, Victoria Composite High School Juniors enjoyed a triumphant, though not glorious season.

After defeating Scona, St. Joseph's (though only by a 1-0 score), Eastwood and Westglen, this starry squad reached the finals unbeaten. Their opponent in the play offs, was Victoria's old rival, Scona High School. Somewhat of a rarity in high school football annals occurred when the two teams played to a 5-5 tie. A second final game was scheduled, and the seemingly stronger aggregation from Victoria went down fighting by a 1-0 score.

SENIOR BOYS' BASKETBALL



First Row: A. E. Henderson, Don Day, Ed. Richmond, Alec Murray, Don Montcrief.
Second Row: Oscar Kruger, Ed. Andruko, Johnny Galenka, Terry Melnychuk, George Rogers, Saul Berg, Rod Johnson.

"If at first you don't succeed, try, try again." seemingly the bywords of our senior basketball teams in previous years, this year's squad proved no exception. As appears customary at Vic, the seniors romped through their scheduled eight games suffering only one defeat—at the hands of Varsity High, but defeated the latter in winning the City Championship.

Following their copping of the Northern Alberta Championship from Eastwood High, the squad again journeyed to Cardston, and again the southerners' superior shooting spelled the downfall of a desperately trying Victoria team. With the majority of this year's squad back next year, the 1950-51 senior basketball entry should prove even more formidable.

JUNIOR BOYS' BASKETBALL



First Row: Ernie Wynychuk, Jim St. John, George Stickle, Bill Lalonde, John Kondrosky, John Shastal.
Second Row: Ken Kirsch, Bud Abrassart, Jim Gilfillan, Alan Stephen, Hector McDonald.
Third Row: Mel Hurtig, Ron Hawgood, John Galanka (Student Coach), Robert H. Routledge (Staff Coach and Manager), Don Montcrief, (Student Coach), Maurice Mazurkewich.

Decisive victories over Eastwood, Scona, Westglen and University High Schools carried the juniors boy's basketball team into the finals with Eastwood.

After winning the city championship from Eastwood in straight games, Vic's juniors edged out the quintet from Red Deer High School in an exhibition game. As no provincial or Northern Alberta finals were played in the junior league, the season ended with the games at Red Deer.

During the regular season the junior team played fine basketball and junior prospects for the senior team are very favourable.

Coached by Mr. Routledge, John Galanka, and Don Montcrief the team was successful in winning the majority of games which they played.

SENIOR GIRLS' BASKETBALL



First Row: Nadie Tokarsky, Margaret Tomasky, Stella Bizeta, Bernice Frost, Vicki Chimko.
Second Row: Doreen McLeod (Captain), Betty Strachan, Doris Reid.
Third Row: Eleona Panas, Frances Richens, Clare Hollingsworth (Coach), Carmine LeNaour, Eleonore Pepin.

In future years the graduates of V.C.H.S. will be able to look back at the first senior girls' basketball team with pride, for this squad has won for our school two championships.

Ably coached by Mr. Clare Hollingsworth, the team fought its way up the ladder to become 1949-50 Provincial finalists, after defeating various city teams and Red Deer High School.

After winning the city championship our team set out to capture the Northern Alberta crown which they did by chalking up two straight wins over the Red Deer team with scores of 12-11 and 41-19.

March 31 saw the first game of a two-game total-point series against the Raymond Helcats. Although our team fought hard they could not hold the fast-stepping Southerners down and the Helcats took the title in two games straight.

Everyone who saw the game will long remember the great sportsmanship and playing ability shown by our senior girls' team.

JUNIOR GIRLS' BASKETBALL



First Row: Anne Craig, Joan Rennie, Olga Haldun, Jean Francis, Olga Mendryk.
Second Row: Betty Barritt, Doreen Davies, Shirley Mitchel, Roxy Ryamond.
Third Row: Myrna McLeod, George Stickle, Eileen Melnyk, Miss Douglas, Olga Loza, Bud Abrassart,
Lorraine Schuster.

Victoria Composite High School's Junior team ended the season with an even average of two wins and two losses, in the interscholastic basketball competitions.

Coached by two hoop enthusiasts, George Stickle and Bud Abrassart the squad was taught the fundamentals of basketball.

February 7, the opening league game saw our team defeat the Eastwood gang by a slim margin of 14-13, playing in the Eastwood gym.

Westglen High was the scene of the next game in which Vic's team suffered their first defeat. The score 17-14.

Playing against Eastwood in the McDougall gym, our squad found it not too difficult to defeat their opponents and came up with their second win, the score being 18-15.

The pace set by Westglen's junior team proved too fast for our crew. They lost the last game of the series 20-10 to Westglen.

Considering the experience the team had, they did very well. Vic will be looking to these potential senior players for new laurels in the coming season.

BOXING AND WRESTLING CLUB



First Row: Max Jones, Stan Stretch, Larry Shelton, Keith Jirsch, Tom Davies, Stan Worock, Art Colley.

Second Row: Harry Walsh, Gordon Wilson, William Webber, William Alexandruk, Ron Greenslade, Hugh Savage, Ralph Klimove, Mike Chiykaliuk, Albert Hauptman.

Third Row: Jack Virtue, Brian Krebs, Dr. C. B. Willis, Myron Babiuk, Major Towerton, Hector Williamson, John Kowolchuk.

As in the past pugilists from Victoria Composite High School stole the show when the annual Assault-at-Arms was held during April. Of fifteen events contested in the competition nine were won by Vic grapplers. Entrants from Vic were under the capable direction of Dr. C. B. Willis and Major H. J. Towerton advisers to the boxing and wrestling club. The 1949-50 season proved very successful for the club and they gathered up their share of trophies at the city tourney.



CITY CURLING CHAMPS



Left to right: Nick Kinasewich, Herb Olson, Oscar Kruger, John Sanders, Mike Kinasewich, Ray Kinasewich.

Vic's foremost components of the besom an' stane swept their way into the city high school finals and took top honors. Their bid for the provincial title was not so successful and the team lost out to the quartet from Mirror who entered the Dominion finals.

The high calibre of play displayed by our four winning representatives was outstanding, considering the newness of this sport in the school.

Though three rinks from Vic entered the tournament, only skip Herb Olson, lead John Sanders, second Mike Kinasewich and third Oscar Kruger emerged from the keen competition as victors.

To a fine group of competitors who brought Vic its first curling championship we say "Congratulations on a job well done!"

CHAMPIONSHIP BOWLING TEAM



Members of Vic's championship bowling team, the group above, is shown adding up scores following play-off matches at the Recreation Bowling Academy. From left to right the "Hot Shots" are Ernie Skogg, Andy Seath, Don Ewart, Bob Gibbons, and Jack Virtue.

Don Ewart and his four colleagues, Jack Virtue, Andy Seath, Bob Gibbons, and Ernie Skogg, Victoria Composite's entrants in the City High Schools bowling tournament, carried off top honors to take the city championship.

Members of the Vic Bowling Club, these enthusiasts of the game of strikes, splits, and spares boast of the highest team and individual scores recorded in the city tournament.

One of the largest clubs in the school, the bowling organization had a very successful year. Under the leadership of president Gordon Deer, and Secretary-Treasurer Chris Gumas, a regular bowling schedule was set up and a large number of teams operated in the league.

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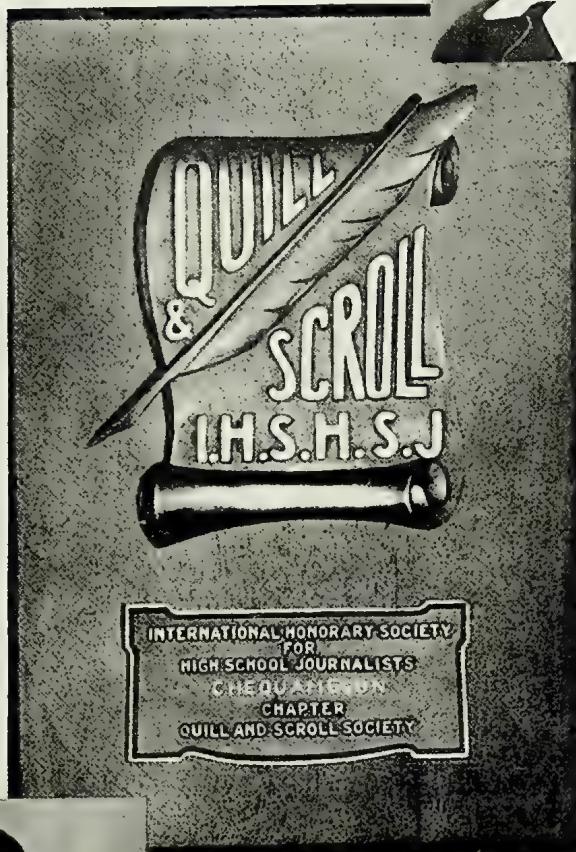
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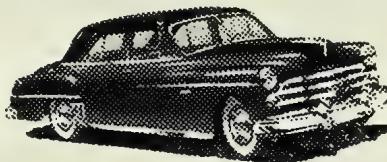
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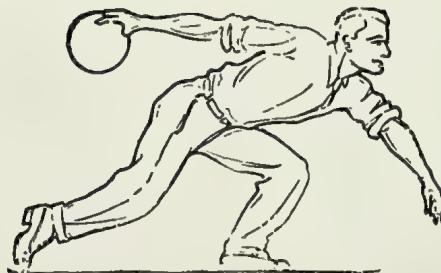
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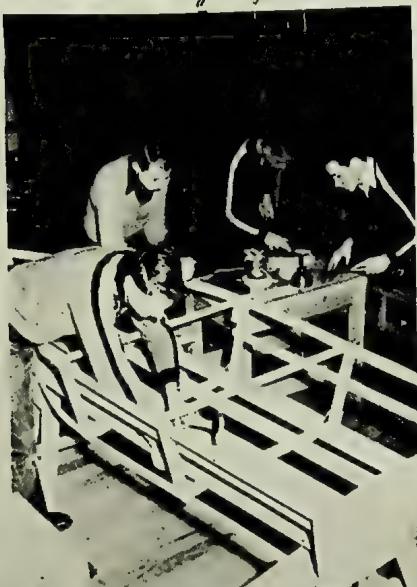
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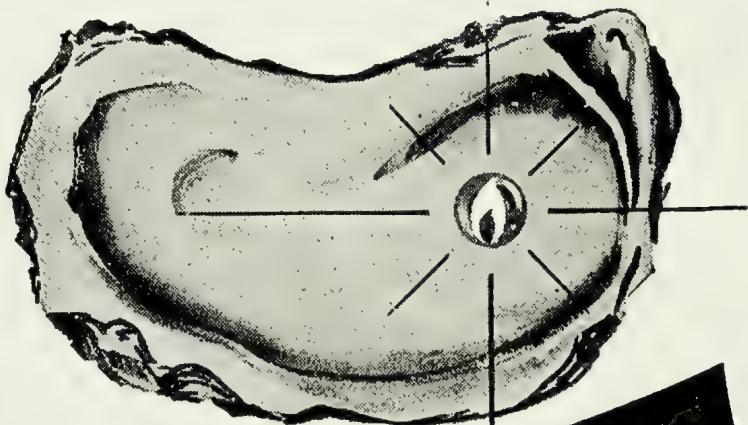
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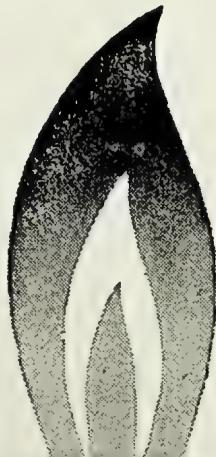


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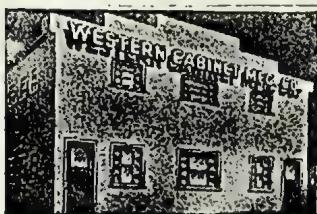
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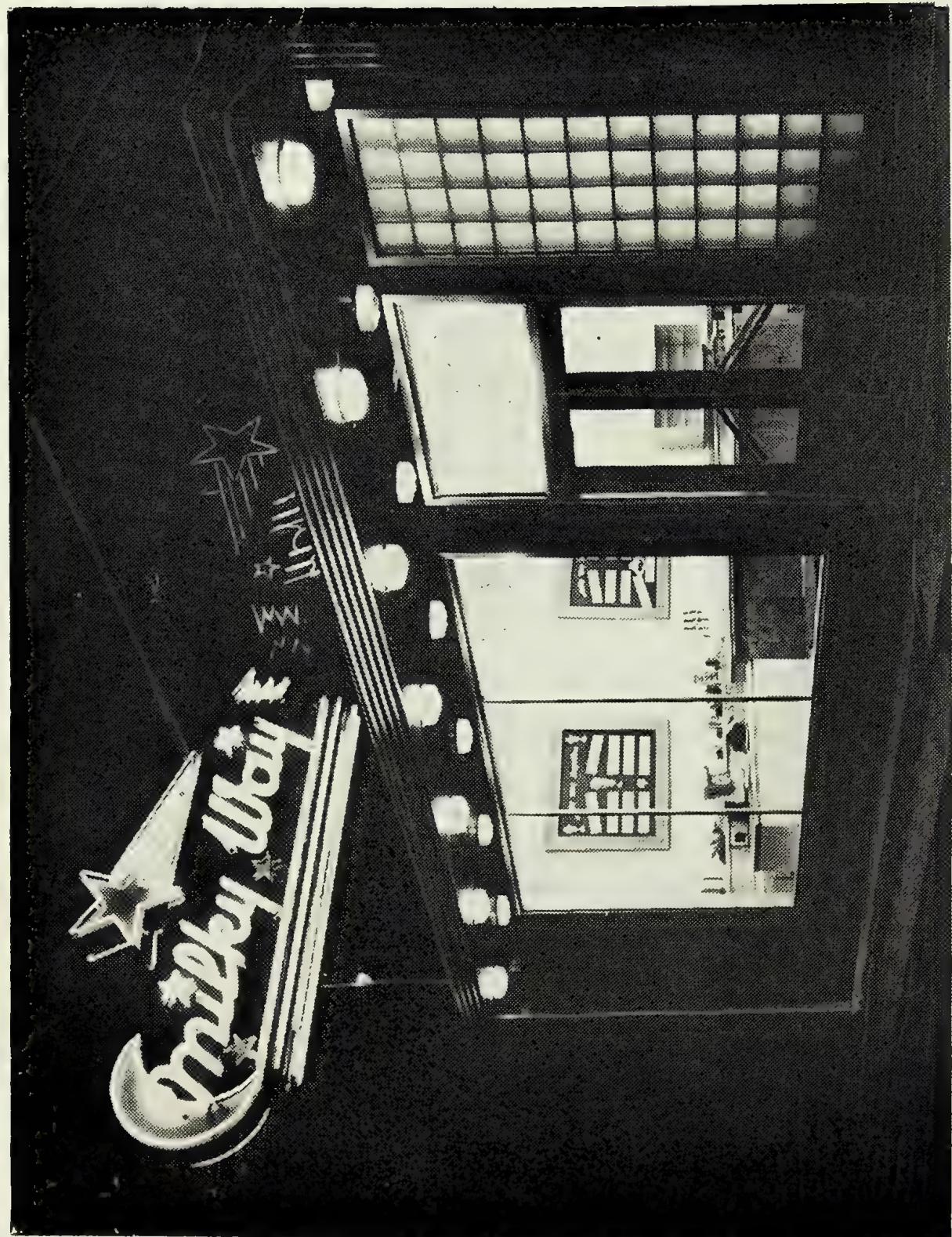
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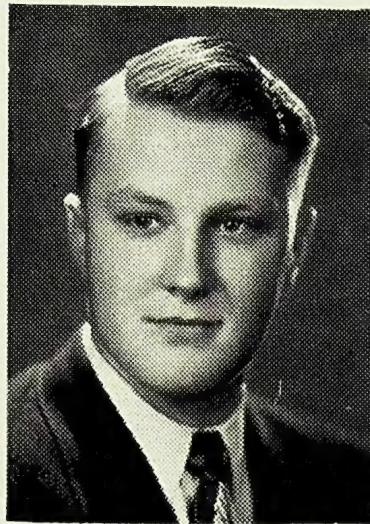
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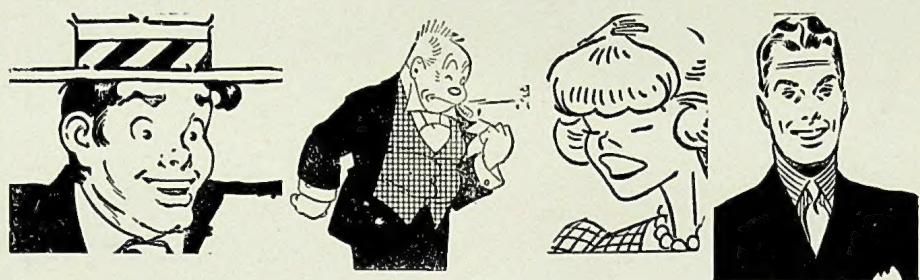


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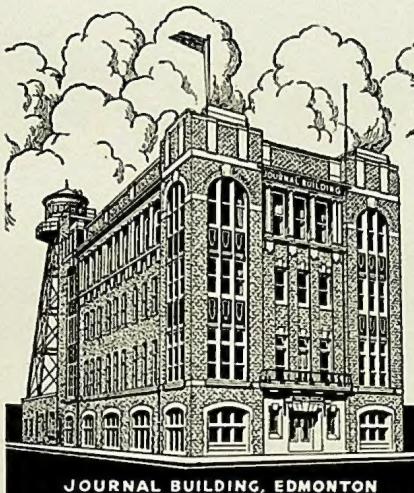


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